

Abstract

Death penalty and its perception at the Apostolic Church

The Diploma thesis deals with the death penalty and its perception at the Apostolic Church. The theoretical part of the thesis explains the concept of punishment, its function and purpose. It deals with the arguments of the opponents and proponents of absolute punishment, their weakness and strengths. It describes the purpose of punishment in the Bible and interprets the Old Testament and the New Testament passages that deal with the highest punishment. The empirical part of the thesis examines the views and opinions of leaders in the Apostolic Church on the issue of the capital punishment. To determine the data of the thesis is used a quantitative investigation.